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MEMORANDUM FOR:

SUBJECT : DCI Annual Report to the President's Foreign Intelligence Advisory Board (PFIAB)

REFERENCE : Memo for Chairmen of the USIB Committees;
Subject: Same as Above; dtd 28 Aug 73

1. In accordance with the Reference the following IHC information is suggested, for consideration, for the DCI's Annual Report to the PFIAB.

2. Major Developments FY-73 (Primary Focus of Attention).

a. Data networks, which included intelligence information exchange systems and indications and warning, were reviewed by the IHC during this past year. The systems included

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Objectives in reviewing these systems were standardization, interface compatibility and a National Intelligence Program Memorandum objective to develop an interagency plan for a computer based information exchange system.

b. Multi-level security was reviewed in excruciating detail both inside and outside of the intelligence community; e.g., a number of discussions were held with NSA, and other non-intelligence organizations. The objective being the storage of multi-level data in a computer system and not requiring that all parties having access to the system have all of the clearances of the stored data. Solutions examined included various combinations of software, hardware and procedures. This area was closely reviewed with the Computer Security Subcommittee of the Security Committee of USIB.

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c. Data Element Standards, which are necessary to facilitate computer to computer data exchange was a primary area addressed by the IHC Standards Committee.

d. During this last fiscal year, the IHC continued to support the Information Science Center in the education and training area.

e. IHC studies on [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] were subjected to review by the USIB Telecommunications Working Group.

f. A plan to reorganize the IHC with new subcommittees that were oriented towards user requirements, ADP systems and telecommunications and teleprocessing to replace the old System Design and Development, Research and Development and Education and Training Subcommittees was developed.

3. Major accomplishments and failings.

Since the whole USIB organization was subjected to a reorganization review, no decision was made relative to reorganizing the IHC subcommittees along lines of new goals and objectives. This impacted upon the success of some of the undertakings initiated in FY 73.

a. An awareness of compatibility and standardization problems were brought to the attention of the community. An NIPM objective to develop an interagency plan for a computer based information exchange system was not realized; however, with the sponsorship of the IHC, an ad hoc group chaired by ASD/I evaluated and endorsed the requirement for [REDACTED]. This system was declared operational and was [REDACTED]

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b. Very little progress was made in the multi-level security area partly due to integrated planning and primarily due to the technical complexity of the area.

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d. No actions were accomplished with the IHC studies [REDACTED]. This was a result of the reorganization plans of the IHC which were never approved and the relationship with the TWG which were intertwined.

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4. Significant actions involving new or improved community coordination procedures.

a. IHC ad hoc efforts in conjunction with the IC/PRG to develop an intelligence community secure voice conference capability to net the following operational centers was successful: CIA, State, NSA, JCS, DIA and the WHSR. An IHC sponsored secure TV system test was initiated. Results of the effort will not be known until the second quarter of FY 74.

b. Greatly improved liaison with J-3 JCS was achieved in FY 73. This involved joint improvement briefings (i.e.,



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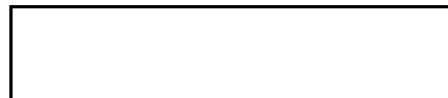
involvement in secure TV testing and secure voice conferencing.

5. The outlook, i.e., upcoming actions of particular importance and plans for the future.

a. Of primary importance is the reorganization and charter of the IHC.

b. A conceptual plan for providing a more rapid means of coordinating action memoranda for Intelligence Community principals was conceived (which is called Text Editing) but not implemented. It is expected that this capability will be achieved in FY 74.

c. A greater emphasis will be made this next fiscal year toward improving community operations through new operating procedures, and software and hardware systems,



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